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Dear DBH Grantee Provider:

RE: Integrated Behavioral Health Regulation Implementation Training Schedule and Training Agenda

The Division of Behavioral Health has identified October 1, 2011 as the target date for implementation of the Integrated Behavioral Health Regulations. The Division has been in contact with agencies throughout the state to coordinate dates and locations for conducting training during the last week in August and the month of September. The attached training schedule and two-day training agenda are provided for your information and dissemination.

Notice that the training agenda identifies the audience targeted for each presentation. The agency's executive level staff should plan to attend the first day. The staff providing treatment services and billing Medicaid should plan to attend specific sessions identified for their role on the second day. Please ensure you and members of your staff take advantage of this opportunity to become more familiar with the changes in regulations.

As always, but especially in times of change, the Division appreciates all the hard work of our behavioral health provider agencies. Feel free to contact me directly at 907-269-3410 or Mark Haines-Simeon at 907-269-3408 with questions or concerns about the new regulation implementation and the Division's training efforts.

Melissa Witzler Stone, Director